

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of : **Confirmation No. 8393**
Satoshi KONDO et al. : **Docket No. 2001-1571A**
Serial No. 09/982,788 : **Group Art Unit 2611**
Filed October 22, 2001 :

BLOCK DISTORTION DETECTION
METHOD, BLOCK DISTORTION
DETECTION APPARATUS, BLOCK
DISTORTION REMOVAL METHOD, AND
BLOCK DISTORTION REMOVAL
APPARATUS

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants request consideration of ☒ the references listed on attached form PTO-1449 and/or ☐ the additional information identified below in paragraph 3. A legible copy of each reference listed on the form PTO-1449 and each U.S. patent application listed below is enclosed, except a copy is not provided for each reference previously cited by or submitted to the Patent Office in prior parent application Serial No. .

1a. ☒ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted:

within three months of the filing date (or of entry into the National Stage) of the above-entitled application, or

before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits or the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of an RCE,

and thus no certification and/or fee is required.

1b. ☐ This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted

after the events of above paragraph 1a and prior to the mailing date of a final Office Action or a Notice of Allowance or an action which otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and thus:

(1) ☐ the certification of paragraph 2 below is provided, **or**

(2) ☐ the fee of \$180.00 specified in 37 CFR 1.17(p) is enclosed.

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2. It is hereby certified

a. ☐ that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement, or

b. ☐ that no item of information contained in the Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application and, to the knowledge of the person signing the certification after making reasonable inquiry, was known to any individual designated in §1.56(c) more than three months prior to the filing of the Statement.

3. ☐ Consideration of the following list of additional information (including any copending or abandoned U.S. application, prior uses and/or sales, etc.) is requested.

4. For each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449, reference is made to:
- a. ☐ a full or partial English language translation submitted herewith,
 - b. ☐ a foreign patent office search report (in the English language) submitted herewith,
 - c. ☐ the concise explanation contained in the specification of the present application at page,
 - d. ☐ the concise explanation set forth in the attached English language abstract,
 - e. ☐ the concise explanation set forth below or on a separate sheet attached to the reference:
5. ☒ Please substitute the enclosed form PTO-1449 for the form PTO-1449 filed January 25, 2002. The attached form correctly lists Japanese reference 11-275584.

Respectfully submitted,

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FORM PTO 1449 (modified)

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	AJ	11-275584	10/1999	JP		
	AK	04318784	11/1992	JP		
	AL	2643636	9/1997	JP		
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Sir:

Applicants note that the Examiner has not returned the PTO-1449 form submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on February 28, 2002. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to confirm that the references listed on the PTO-1449 form have been considered by providing Applicants with an initialed and signed copy of the form. For the Examiner's convenience, a copy of the Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 form and date-stamped postcard are attached hereto.

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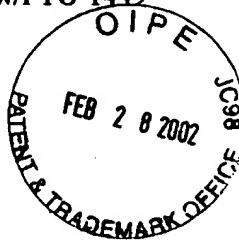
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Receipt of the following papers is acknowledged:

- I. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement w/PTO-1449



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